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## In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows.

Add the following new claims:

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--23. (new) An article as recited in claim 1, wherein said first primary layer region includes a first superabsorbent having a first Tau value; said second primary layer region includes a second superabsorbent having a second Tau value; and said first Tau value is greater than said second Tau value.

--24. (new) An article as recited in claim 23, wherein said first primary layer region is positioned at a bodyside of said absorbent core; and a ratio of said first Tau value to said second Tau value is at least about 2:1.

--25. (new) An article as recited in claim 24, wherein said ratio of said first Tau value to said second Tau value is at least about 5:1.

--26. (new) An article as recited in claim 9, wherein said first primary layer region is positioned at a bodyside of said absorbent core; said first primary layer region includes a first superabsorbent having a first Tau value; said second primary layer region includes a second superabsorbent having a second Tau value; and a ratio of said first Tau value to said second Tau value is at least about 2:1.

--27. (new) An article as recited in claim 26, wherein said ratio of said first Tau value to said second Tau value is at least about 5:1.

--28. (new) An article as recited in claim 17, wherein said absorbent core has a dry thickness of not more than about 6 mm, and a minimum crotch width of not more than about 10 cm.

--29. (new) An article as recited in claim 17, wherein said article is configured for use by an adult, and wherein said absorbent core has a dry thickness of not more than about 6 mm, and a minimum crotch width of not more than about 14 cm.